Chairman Julius Genachowski Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker Commissioner Mignon Clyburn Commissioner Michael J. Copps Commissioner Robert M. McDowell

Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: GN Docket No. 09-191

January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

The mission of the Minority PUL Alliance is to serve as an advocate for minority businesses throughout Mississippi. We work to bridge the gap in relationships with major corporations by accelerating the growth and capacity of minority businesses. One of the surest ways to do that is through technology.

Technology can be a great equalizer for a minority businessman, especially in rural state like Mississippi. Traditionally, before the internet and email, many people were locked out of business opportunities. Now our members can go online to find out about federal, state, local or private sector contracts that they can bid on. They can secure needed training for themselves and their employees. Technology makes it possible for them to be connected as never before. And all of this has happened as the internet has grown and evolved in largely unregulated environment.

What worries me is that new regulations will risk depressing investment in new network resources and technologies. I think we all know what that will mean: rural areas like Mississippi will see private investment decreased which will disproportionately harm minorities such as our members. We still have too far to go to allow this to happen now. Please do not risk what we have worked so hard to accomplish.

Sincerely,

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Minority PUL Alliance